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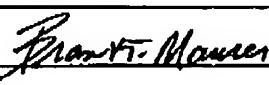
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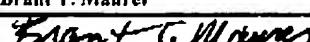
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<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b> <b>for FY 2005</b>		Application Number	10/620,409
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Filing Date	July 15, 2003
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	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Small Entity	
				Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
	- 20 or HP =	x <u>\$50.00</u>	= <u>\$0.00</u>		
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